CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA
AUGUST 6, 2019 - CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Patino called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:
MEMBERS PRESENT:
Mayor Alice Patino, Councilmember Michael Moats, Councilmember Mike Cordero, Councilmember Gloria Soto, and Councilmember Etta Waterfield

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:
City Manager Stilwell, Interim Director of Human Resources Crown, and Chief Deputy City Clerk White (for roll call only).

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
There were no requests to speak.

RECESS - CLOSED SESSION
Mayor Patino recessed to a Closed Session at 5:02 p.m. for Public Employee Performance Evaluation *pursuant to Government Code Section 54957. Title: City Manager.*

INVOCATION
Pastor Miguel Hidalgo of Iglesia de Dios Church gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Councilmember Waterfield led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Patino reconvened the meeting and called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:
MEMBERS PRESENT:
Mayor Alice Patino, Councilmember Michael Moats, Councilmember Mike Cordero, Councilmember Gloria Soto, and Councilmember Etta Waterfield

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:
City Manager Jason Stilwell, City Attorney Thomas Watson, Fire Chief Leonard Champion, Police Commander Daniel Cohen, Chief Information Officer Jeffrey Marecic, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Kevin McCune, Director of Community Development Chuen Ng, Director of Recreation & Parks Alex Posada, Director of Utilities Shad Springer, Assistant City Manager Patrick Wiemiller, and Chief Deputy City Clerk Rhonda White

CLOSED SESSION REPORT:
Mayor Patino asked Chief Deputy City Clerk White to read the Closed Session Report.

Chief Deputy City Clerk White reported that, pursuant to prior City Council action on October 17, 2017, which gave the City Council the discretion to authorize additional compensation up to 10 percent through the Performance Based Pay Program, the City Council authorized Performance Based Pay be set for the City Manager at 8.28 percent, which was approved unanimously.

Action: Performance Based Pay was set at 8.28 percent for the City Manager.

1 PROCLAMATIONS/AWARDS

A. **SANTA MARIA VALLEY BEAUTIFUL 2019 AWARDS.** The City Council received a presentation of the 2019 Santa Maria Valley Beautiful Program award winners. This year's winners were presented by Cyrina Brogoitti, President of Santa Maria Valley Beautiful. The winners were: Moxie Café (President's Award), Marion Long (Heritage Award), Robert & Beth Ortega (Best Use of Color), La Casa de Flores (Best Theme), James & Anna Pate (Best Use of Geraniums), Mark & Stephanie Winford (Best Drought Tolerant), and Scott Hand & Duane Rogers (Best Overall).

2 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Mary Harrison, Jacqueline Narachi, Richard Bailey, Laura Selken, Elizabeth Schneider, Daniel Swanson, Ron Faas (speaking for Gary Hall), Eileen Encinias, George Woehlke, Ed Barba, Lois

Sullivan, Jamie Rodriguez, Esther Jensen, and Dianna Caldwell spoke in support of an ordinance regarding enforceable mobile home rent stabilization and asked that the item be brought before the City Council sooner than later, particularly as some mobile home park owners were getting ready to present ten-year leases to their residents.

Sara Macdonald announced she was observing the meeting on behalf of the League of Women Voters.

Kate Adams, Kathy Sharum, Ken Hough, Leslie McGorman, David Dennis, and Cliff Solomon spoke in favor of the Monterey Bay Community Choice Energy Program and said benefits would include reduced customer rates and financial savings for the City.

City Manager Stilwell reported that staff continues to work on an enforceable Model Lease 2020, facilitate meetings with the stakeholders to review draft terms, and will bring a report or action item to the City Council at a future meeting.

City Attorney Watson added that the parties had proposed the next meeting with mobile home stakeholders during the week of August 19th.

3 CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent Calendar Items 3A-3I were approved as presented, including the adoption of Ordinance No. 2019-05 and Resolution Nos. 2019-91 and 2019-92. The recorded vote appears with each item below.

A. Waived the reading in full of all Ordinances and Resolutions. Ordinances on the Consent Agenda will be adopted by the same vote cast at the first meeting, unless City Council indicates otherwise.

Action: Reading were waived.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. 5-0.

B. Approved the Minutes of the regular City Council meeting of July 16, 2019.

Action: Minutes were approved as submitted.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. 5-0.

C. The City Council accepted as complete the public improvements associated with Heritage at Westgate Ranch, Tract 5969, Phases 5 & 6; authorized the release of a Faithful Performance Bond [#4403817] in the reduced amount of $100,000 posted in the form of a Surety to guarantee the installation of public improvements; and ordered that the Contractor, Labor, and Material Bond in the amount of $252,613.90 and the Guarantee and Defective Material Bond in the amount of $50,522.78 be retained for six months and one year, respectively, from the date of the release of the Faithful Performance Bond for Public Improvements.

Action: Improvements were accepted and authorization was granted to release the bond, with the order to retain the associated labor and materials bond and defective materials bond be retained for six months and one year, respectively.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. 5-0.

D. The City Council accepted as complete the public landscaping and irrigation improvements associated with Acquistapace Homes, aka Harvest Glen, Tract 5845; authorized the release of a Faithful Performance Bond [#08765883] in the reduced amount of $400,000 posted in the form of a surety to guarantee the installation of landscaping and irrigation public improvements; and ordered that the Contractor, Labor, and Material Bond in the amount of $828,061 and the Planting and Irrigation Maintenance Bond in the amount of $273,133 be retained for six months and one year, respectively, from the date of the release of the Faithful Performance Bond for Landscaping and Irrigation.

Action: Improvements were accepted and authorization was granted to release the bond, with the order to retain the associated labor and materials bond and defective materials bond be retained for six months and one year, respectively.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. 5-0.

E. Conducted the second reading, and adopt Ordinance No. 2019-05 amending the official zoning map for the Northman Residential Project (GPZ2018-0004) on Santa Maria Way between Sunrise Drive and Dauphin Street.

Action: Second reading was conducted, and the zoning map amendment was approved for the Northman Residential Project.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. Adopted as Ordinance No. 2019-05. 5-0.

F. Payment of Warrants. Ordered ratified subject to having been certified as being in conformity with the budget and having been approved for payment by the Director of Finance.

Action: Ratified.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. 5-0.

G. Payment of Payroll. Ordered ratified subject to having been certified by the proper Department Directors, as shown on records on file in the Department of Finance, and having been approved for payment by the Director of Finance.

Action: Ratified.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. 5-0.

H. Adopted a Resolution setting the City's Appropriation limit (Gann Limit) for 2019-20 at $204,237,137 pursuant to Proposition 4.

Action: The appropriation limited was approved.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. Adopted as Resolution No. 2019-91. 5-0.

I. Adopt a Resolution approving the summary vacation of a portion of the street right-of-way for McCoy Lane, pursuant to the Streets and Highway Code Section 8333(a).

Action: Summary vacation was approved.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. Adopted as Resolution No. 2019-92. 5-0.

4 PRESENTATION

A. The City Council received a presentation from David Ketelaar, MD, Immediate Past President, Medical Staff, about Marian Regional Medical Center's efforts to develop behavioral health services in Santa Maria. Dr. Ketelaar reported that one in five adults suffers from psychiatric illness in a given year. Mental Health issues cross all socio-economic boundaries and the medical profession is seeing a prevalence of mental illness in youth.

Santa Maria has several outpatient services including the County Clinic on Foster Road; private therapists/psychiatrists; primary care providers; and mobile crisis evaluations in homes, on the street, and in the emergency rooms. Inpatient services include inpatient hospitalizations in Santa Barbara, but there are very few inpatient beds in Santa Maria. Experts believe that the demand for inpatient services is about 50 beds per 100,000 people. Thus, Marian Medical Center's future plans include the establishment of a Crisis Stabilization Unit which would offer the ability to provide care and inpatient mental health beds immediately for patients. Dr. Ketelaar invited everyone to a fundraiser to be held Saturday, August 24, at 3:00 p.m. at the Presqu'ile Winery where event proceeds would support the development of Behavioral Health Services and a Crisis Stabilization Unit.

Councilmember Waterfield asked if there would be a Mental Health Unit with the new jail.

Dr. Ketelaar recommended contacting the County of Santa Barbara directly to get an answer, but that Sheriff Brown was an active enthusiast for improved services in the north county.

Councilmember Soto commented that she appreciated the fact that the medical professionals would be working closely with law enforcement and she asked how City law enforcement are trained to deal with mental health issues.

City Manager Stilwell responded that staff are trained on Santa Barbara County's program specifics and can contact the County as needed when they come across someone with mental health issues.

Councilmember Moats asked what was happening with the old Valley Hospital and if it might be turned into a Crisis Stabilization Unit. He also asked how high-risk, potentially harmful mentally ill patients are transported.

Dr. Ketelaar responded that Marian Hospital was hoping to have that location converted into a Crisis Stabilization Unit among other services. There is currently one psychiatrist on staff at the hospital and the goal would be to recruit four or five more to work the Unit. Regarding transportation, patients are only transported when they are stabilized and it is safe to do so.

Action: Presentation was received.

REPORT BY CITY MANAGER

City Manager Stilwell reported that the next regular City Council meeting would be August 20, 2019. Items on the agenda would include the Designation of Voting Delegates for the League of California Cities Annual Meeting; amendments to CDBG Action Plans; an update on the Energy Efficiency project; and the 4th Quarter Financial Report.

ORAL REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS AND OFFICERS (INCLUDING AB1234 REPORTS)

Councilmember Cordero reported he attended a United Way planning meeting; a Santa Maria Valley Chamber Awards Banquet; a fundraiser for United Way; a meeting with a State representative regarding H-2A employees; and a meeting with one of the Planning Commissioners.

Councilmember Moats did not have any AB1234 meetings to report.

Councilmember Waterfield reported she attended an organizational meeting at the airport; an Exxon Mobile roundtable; the Hourglass Project strategic planning meeting; a CCWA meeting; an open house for Jordan Cunningham; and the Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner.

Councilmember Soto reported she attended the Hourglass Project strategic planning meeting and the Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner. She also invited the community to City Hall at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, 8/9 for a vigil regarding the recent shootings. She added she hoped the Council would be able to discuss ways to prevent having an episode in Santa Maria.

Mayor Patino reported she attended a meeting at the airport; the SBCAG Board meeting; the Hourglass Project strategic planning meeting; the Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner; an open house for Jordan Cunningham; a Mayor's Task Force Teen Academy meeting; Fiesta in Santa Barbara; and a Rotary meeting.

Councilmember Soto asked if there was a consensus of the City Council to support staff bringing a report back at the next meeting regarding tenant displacement assistance relating to guest-worker housing. Councilmember Moats and Councilmember Cordero supported her request.

Action: Direction was given to staff to bring a report back at the next meeting regarding tenant displacement assistance.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Patino declared the City Council meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

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Approved at a regular meeting on August 20, 2019.

Rhonda M. White, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk and ex officio Clerk
of the City Council

ATTEST:

Rhonda M. White, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk

Alice M. Patino
Mayor of the City of Santa Maria